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SUBJECT: STATEMENT BY SENATOR HENRY M. JACKSON

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THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT BY SENATOR JACKSON WAS MADE ON FEBRUARY 11 AT THE OPENING OF HEARINGS BEFORE THE SUBBCOMMITTEE ON ARMS CONTROL OF THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE:

"WITH ITS HEARING THIS AFTERNOON THE SUBCOMMITTEE IS BEGINNING A SERIES ON STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION THAT WILL ENCOMPASS THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS IN GENEVA AS WELL AS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SALT I AGREEMENTS -- THE ABM TREATY AND THE INTERIM AGREEMENT ON OFFENSIVE WEAPONS.

WE HAVE ASKED WILLIAM COLBY TO TESTIFY TODAY TO PROVIDE AN ESSENTIAL BACKGROUND TO THIS INQUIRY. MEETINGS OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL ON STRATEGIC ISSUES FREQUENTLY BEGIN WITH A PRESENTATION FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY; IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE SUBCOMMITTEE TO BEGIN ITS DELIBERATIONS IN THE SAME MANNER. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE FOCUS OF THE HEARING TODAY WILL REVOLVE AROUND TWO PRINCIPAL CONCERNS:

- (1) ARE THE SOVIETS IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE LETTER AND THE SPIRIT OF THE 1972 SALT I AGREEMENTS?
- (2) WHAT VERIFICATION ISSUES ARISE OUT OF THE EFFORT TO TURN THE VLADIVOSTOK AIDE-MEMOIRE INTO A FULL AND COMPLETE TREATY?

FROM THESE TWO PRINCIPAL CONCERNS THERE ARISES A THIRD ISSUE, AND THAT IS THIS:

(3) WHAT HAS THE EXPERIENCE OF MONITORING THE SALT I AGREEMENTS TAUGHT US ABOUT THE REQUIREMENTS FOR VERIFYING PROVISIONS OF THE FOLLOW-ON AGREEMENT NOW UNDER NEGOTIATION IN GENEVA?

THERE HAVE BEEN REPORTS IN THE PRESS, MOST RECENTLY IN AVIATION WEEK AND SPACE TECHNOLOGY, THAT CERTAIN SOVIET BEHAVIOR MAY BE IN VIOLATION OF THE LETTER OR THE SPIRIT OF THE SALT I AGREEMENT. THESE REPORTS INVOLVE THE TESTING OF SURFACE TO AIR MISSILES IN A MANNER PROHIBITED BY THE ABM TREATY, THE CONVERSION OF MISSILE SILOS FROM LIGHT' TO 'HEAVY,' THE USE OF CONCEALMENT IN A MANNER INCONSISTENT WITH THE UNDERTAKING BY EACH SIDE NOT TO INTERFERE WITH 'NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS' OF VERIFICATION, AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SILOS THAT MAY BE CAPABLE OF HOUSING A MISSILE LAUNCHER. IN OUR HEARING TODAY WE SHALL DISCUSS EACH OF THESE ISSUES IN SOME CONSIDERABLE DETAIL.

I WISH TO EMPHASIZE THAT I HAVE NOT DRAWN ANY FINAL CONCLUSION ON THESE MATTERS EITHER ON THE BASIS OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN PRESS ACCOUNTS OR OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO ME. AT THIS MOMENT, WHEN THE STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION IS MEETING IN GENEVA TO DISCUSS THESE VERIFICATION QUESTIONS AND AS WE ARE ENGAGED IN NEGOTIATIONS ON A FOLLOW-ON AGREEMENT, I BELIEVE THAT IT IS ESSENTIAL TO DETERMINE THE FACTS." INGERSOLL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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